



Great Massingham CE Primary School  
Living, Learning & Flourishing

# WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

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Dear Parents and Carers,



**BANK HOLIDAY: MONDAY 19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

The children are settling in to their new routines and we are very proud of them. We had a great start to Lynnsport and we look forward to seeing the children's gymnastics skills develop over the term.



We are looking for any willing volunteers who would be happy to come into school on a Monday or Tuesday afternoon to listen to some of our Junior children read. Reading is extremely important and we strongly encourage children to read at home daily. It makes a big difference to their fluency, comprehension and good readers often become good writers. If you would be interested in volunteering on a weekly basis, please let Mrs Hurcomb in the office know. Many thanks.

## **Week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

This week's learning highlights:

News from Infants (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)

We have had another fun-filled week of learning. Reception have started their first phonics sessions this week too, learning new letter sounds. Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed the Forest School session on Monday - can you believe there are fairies on our school field? The children found their hair!

## News from the Juniors

This week Year 3 and 4 have been on an adventure in English, including, crossing a rickety bridge, running from a monkey and crossing the desert! We discussed what we would need to take on an adventure in our backpacks. We have been writing from the view of Oliver (in our story) and thinking how he could tell people he was off to rescue his parents. The children have been excellent in maths, working hard on place value. In French, we learnt greetings and how to introduce ourselves.

The second week into the new school year and KS2 have dived into their learning activities with enjoyment. Whether it is engaging in their new English stories to develop their writing or learning about properties of materials in Science, the children have had the opportunity to flourish in a range of skills. Our weekly trip to Lynnsport has allowed the children to learn gymnastic skills in an excellently equipped venue - lucky us.



## STARS OF THE WEEK



**Infants:** Phoebe for fantastic enthusiasm and effort in all areas of learning this week.  
Oliver for settling into his new school so well.

**Years 3/4:** Lily for showing brilliant place value knowledge this week and living our school values with exemplary behaviour.

**Years 5/6:** Tori for a conscientious work ethic, trying her best and contributing to class

## TREES TO MEET YOU FOREST SCHOOL - FOR RECEPTION, YEAR ONE AND YEAR TWO

Trees to Meet You Forest School provides opportunities for the children to experience play and learning outdoors in a structured way. They will be working together and individually covering a range of topics. These include fire building and cooking, building shelters, rope swings and arts and crafts. The Trees to Meet You Forest School lessons tie in well with our curriculum and build on social skills and self-esteem.

The sessions on a **Monday afternoon** will go ahead whatever the weather! The children are encouraged to explore and may well get clothes dirty. Therefore, children will need to come to school with the appropriate clothing please, to suit weather conditions on the day. For each session this **must** include long sleeves, long trousers and waterproofs. Wellies **must** be worn for each session.

Please ensure children come to school wearing their school uniform. Additional clothing should be brought to school in a bag.

### VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we learned about the Parable of the lost sheep, we thought about how we would like people to respond if we were lost and how we would react if someone needed help. We focused on our School Value KINDNESS and thought about the kindness of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11.

Our 5 Core Values:



### REGULAR DATES

Monday: 1.00pm to 2.00pm Music with Estelle from the Music Service

Tuesday: 3.00pm onwards - Benjamin Howell, piano lessons

Thursday: 1.00pm onwards Stef Judd, piano and guitar lessons

Thursday: Juniors go to Lynn Sport - Junior children to come to school in PE kit.

Friday (am): PE (Juniors and Infants) with Rob from ICS Coaching - children to come to school in PE kit.

Have a lovely weekend; we look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday.

Kind regards,

Mrs Stibbon, Mrs Stephens and the Great Massingham team